

THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Packed & Ready

Preparing for his Korean trip in a manner painfully familiar to all ex-servicemen, General Dwight D. Eisenhower last week rolled up his sleeves for six "booster" shots—yellow fever, cholera, smallpox, typhus, typhoid and tetanus. Though this is a process which virtually guarantees the victim two sore arms and a fever, Ike showed no visible signs of discomfort as he hustled through a busy week of conferences, callers and ceremonies.

He started most of his working days with an 8 a.m. conference with officials of Columbia University (his resignation is effective Jan. 19). Then he drove down from Morningside Heights to his headquarters in Manhattan's Commodore Hotel. There the harried management had moved the wooden barrier far out into the sixth-floor lobby in an attempt to clear a passage through which Ike and his visitors could reach an elevator without being smothered by the crush of reporters and photographers.

Diplomats & Dignitaries. In & out of Ike's suite poured a stream of callers. Among them: diplomats (U.N. General Assembly President Lester Pearson of Canada, India's U.N. Mission Chief Madame Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit); Washington officials (Assistant Secretary of Defense Anna Rosenberg to report on her recent trip to Korea, General Walter Bedell Smith, Ike's wartime Chief of Staff and now head of the Central Intelligence Agency); foreign dignitaries (Air Marshal Lord Tedder, Bank of Greece Governor George Mantzavinos); politicians (Louisiana's Republican Chairman John Minor Wisdom to talk about building a two-party system in the South, New York's Representative John Taber, next chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, who guardedly guessed that next year's budget can be held below \$70 billion); and prospective members of the Eisenhower Administration.